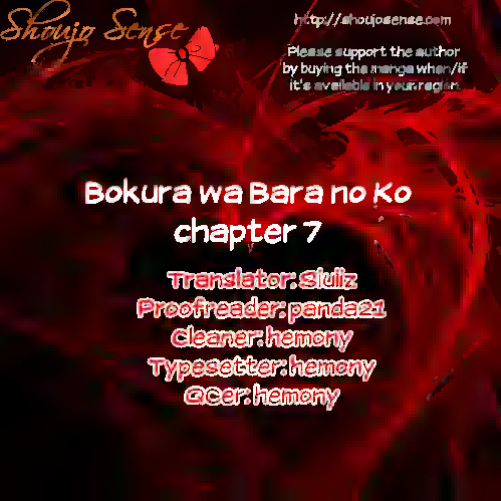
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THE LIGHT OF HOPE THAT DESCENDED ON EARTH

MINAMORI KOYOMI

CHAPTER 7

女の子の友情は、
Girls' friendship
何物にもかえがたいのです♥
is irreplaceable

THE LONG AWAITED CONTINUATION OF THE SERIES.

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Wow, this one is impressive.

このおはなしは
主な登場人物
小次郎
沙耶
ありか
祈
秘密基地で石落下を目撃した小学生5人。
遺れ帰ってしまう。謎と恐怖から剣をはやした妙な女をばら手と名付けて育てはじめるが!?
The dead body of the boy named Masashi (17), a second year student at the local H high school, was found near the equipment factory in Niigata city, Niigata province.
An unusual death of a male student in his second year of high school found near the equipment factory
YUKINARI, YUKINARI!
KOJIROU, SAYA AND ARIKA!
HUH?
EVERY-ONE'S HERE
INORI DIDN'T COME?
WE INVITED HIM
INORI'S ALWAYS LATE.
THE FIRST DAY OF SUMMER HOLIDAY
Actually, today
I'm supposed to go swimming with Saya.
I'M COMING IN.
Well, it can't be helped.

Since things have already turned out this way
BIG.
SO
KYA!
SO I WANTED TO DISCUSS WITH EVERY-ONE ON WHAT WE SHOULD DO...
SFX: GRAB
WHO ARE YOU?!
BARA-
KO.
SHE SAID HER NAME.
WHAT IS.. THIS?
?
SHE'S GROWING VERY FAST
THIS IS HOW IT IS

CAN SIT?
Sits
KYA!
NO! IT'S A HAT! YOU PUT IT ON YOUR HEAD!
WIG?
YOU PUT IT ON YOUR HEAD AS WELL, BUT IT'S DIFFERENT
LIKE THIS
SHE CAN TALK VERY WELL NOW...
Wash
I DON'T KNOW IF WE CAN KEEP IT A SECRET FROM MOM ANY LONGER...
I SAY
WHY DON'T WE JUST TELL HER EVERYTHING?
IF IT'S YUKI'S MOM, SHE SHOULD UNDERSTAND IF WE TELL HER PROPERLY, RIGHT?
BUT...
He doesn't want to.
Ah.
TELL EVERYTHING ABOUT WHAT?

I'M BACK!
Why are you so surprised!?
I WENT TO BUY SOME SNACKS FOR EVERYONE!
M-M-MOM?!
EH? THERE'S A CUTE KID HERE TOO! SHE'S NOT FROM KOJIROU'S FAMILY... RIGHT?
WHOSE KID IS SHE?
COULDN'T HIDE IN TIME.
AND WHY IS SHE WEARING YUKINARI'S CLOTHES?
Ahaha
UM UM, ABOUT THAT...
HER CLOTHES GOT DIRTY FROM PLAYING IN THE SAND JUST A WHILE AGO
AH THAT'S AWFUL
HMM?
UM... MOM.
UM...
THAT KID...

IS MY COUSIN!
ARIKA'S?
YES! SHE'S HERE FOR THE SUMMER BREAK
AH, THEN SHE'S FROM TOKYO?
YES~
Then
I'll have to borrow her
from Yukinari for a while.

MY NAME IS LITASHIRO ARIKA.
I transferred here from Tokyo
in the spring of third grade.
NICE TO MEET YOU ALL!
Mom told me
"the beginning is the most crucial for a transfer student"
"You have to smile all the time."
Isn't she cute?
Whisper
Whisper
I'LL BE IN YOUR CARE!
TURNS
MAD
To be honest,
I hate boys
I even greeted him.
So childish, like an idiot.

Sooner or later, they'll start teasing girls
WAH!
KYA!
SFX: BUMP
OUCH
AH
NO.
SFX: PUSH
YOU GUYS PUSHED ME!
WE DIDN'T
HAYATO, YOU LIKE ARIKA DON'T YOU?
HUH?! WHAT RUBBISH ARE YOU SAYING!
TEXT: AHAHA!
SFX: SNEER
WHY DO YOU THINK I LIKE A GIRL LIKE HER?!

I HATE A PERSON LIKE YOU AS WELL.
I DON'T CARE IF YOU WERE BEING PUSHED
IF YOU BUMP INTO SOMEONE, THE FIRST THING YOU SHOULD DO IS TO SAY SORRY
AND
BRATS!
WH-
WHAT'S THAT
Dabbu
Dabbu
Dabbu
"It's a bad habit of yours to say whatever comes into your mind"
that was what mom told me.
That incident was the turning point
I was labeled as "arrogant" by the boys in my class
There seems to be a big difference from the first impression.

Mai is the head of the girls
and she likes Hayato
WE'RE SORRY
MAI SAID SHE'LL STOP BEING FRIENDS WITH US IF WE TALK TO ARIKA...
EH?
Slowly the girls were like that too.
What are they saying?
I DON'T NEED IT.
SO, LET'S HANG OUT AFTER SCHOOL!
BUT WE DO LIKE ARIKA A LOT, OKAY?
YUP!
... WE'RE KEEPING IT A SECRET FROM MAI?

I hate boys
but I hate girls more.
I don't mind
even if I'm alone.
I DON'T WANT TO PLAY WITH YOU GIRLS AT ALL!

Fourth grade spring.
We're in the same class
Yay
I'm in the same class as Mai again...
阿部のぞみ
歌代ありか
浦沢 芽衣
大木
Curse it.
"mean" "double personality" "she thinks she's cute."
Mumbling and whispering like they wanted me to hear.
Soon they'll group together and talk behind my back again.

Well, I don't mind
even if I'm alone.
NEXT GET INTO GROUPS OF TWO FOR THE STRETCHING EXERCISE
Curse
it.
YOU'RE ALONE?
WANT TO GROUP WITH ME?
"Oyachi Saya"

We weren't in the same class last year but I've heard of her
She runs fast and was very active during the sports festival.
She catches the attention of everyone because she's rather tall.
IT
HURTS! OW, OW, OW! I'M DYING IT HURTS SO MUCH!
REALLY?
NO NO NO!
YOU CAN STILL GO DOWN A BIT RIGHT?
YOUR BODY ISN'T EVEN CURVED YET
IT REALLY HURTS! WHAT KIND OF WEIRD STRENGTH IS THAT! CURSE YOU!
SORRY
I DIDN'T THINK THAT YOU'D BE SO STIFF.
LET'S CHANGE
ONE
SFX LIGHTLY

NO WAY.
EH?
WHY DON'T YOU TRY IT, ARIKA?
YOUR BODY WILL BECOME FLEXIBLE EVENTUALLY
SFX: DECLINE
I WON'T DIE FROM HAVING A STIFF BODY, SO I'LL PASS
I HATE SPORTS
MAYBE BECAUSE I DO STRETCHES EVERY DAY
WHY IS YOUR BODY SO FLEXIBLE ?!
THAT WAS GREAT! YOU'RE GOOD!
EH EH
Silent...
Hah.
Saya probably likes sports a lot
She's mad?
ARIKA, YOU
ARE SO STRAIGHT-FORWARD, HOW NICE
And she even recommended me to do sports.
PFFFT

Saya laughed.

..I also laughed along with her

Laughter that was long lost.

Ahaha
学級日記
I'll ask if she wants to go home together
I have to hurry back.
Saya should still be in the classroom
OFFICE
GOODBYE, TEACHER!
GOODBYE! THANKS FOR THE WORK
Like this
SEX TREMBLE
DURING GYM CLASS, YOU WERE HURT BY ARIKA'S WORDS, RIGHT?
SAYA,
if our relationship becomes closer..

Mai's voice...
SAYING YOU HAVE A WEIRD STRENGTH AND CURSE YOU OR SOMETHING.
IT'S BETTER IF YOU DON'T BECOME FRIENDS WITH HER.
SLIDE OPEN
AH
EH?
!
BUT THAT WAS MY BAD
YOU DON'T HAVE TO BE SO KIND TO HER!
BECAUSE HER PERSONALITY IS SUPER BAD.
RIGHT.

KYA!
SFX: SLAP
ARIKA.
OW! IT HURTS.
STOP!
What did I do to you?
What part of this is fun?
IF YOU HAVE SOMETHING TO SAY,
THEN JUST SAY IT TO MY FACE!

TALKING BAD ABOUT SOMEONE BEHIND THEIR BACK,
THAT'S THE WORST PERSONALITY THERE IS!
SFX. GRAB
...
YOU'RE RIGHT
ARIKA IS SOMEONE WHO CAN TALK PROPERLY.
SO DON'T HIT HER.

IF IT WASN'T !
HITTING PEOPLE IS TOO MUCH
THAT'S RIGHT
APOLOGIZE TO MAI IMMEDIATELY!
MAI
FROM NOW ON, I WILL TAKE CARE OF ARIKA
I THINK IT'S GREAT, HOW SHE CAN EXPRESS HER FEELINGS SO FRANKLY

I WANT TO BECOME CLOSER WITH HER.
IF YOU CONTINUE TO GOSSIP ABOUT HER,
I WON'T FORGIVE YOU NEXT TIME.

I'M SORRY
FOR HITTING YOU.
"So, don't hit her."
my hand is feeling numb from her grasp
Ah
It's starting to hurt
The red mark imprinted
on Mai's face.
Ah
THEY LEFT...

AND MAI WANTED TO APOLOGIZE TO YOU AS WELL.
...THAT ISN'T NECES-SARY.
It's okay
even if they're all enemies.
THEN LET'S GO HOME TOO
流星
流星
EH...
AH, YOU MADE PLANS TO GO HOME WITH SOME-ONE ELSE?
NO, ONLY ME.
BY THE WAY,
IF YOU HANG AROUND ME
SAYA, YOU WILL ALSO BE ISOLATED BY YOUR FRIENDS
I'M FINE BY MYSELF.

LET'S GO HOME
If I have a friend
even if they're all enemies
It's fine

I'm fine by myself.
That isn't true.
I was lonely all along.
I'm actually very lonely.

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SHE'S LIKE A PRINCESS.
SO CUTE, BARA-CHAN!
PRINCESS BARAKO?
GIRLS PARTY IS SO FUN!
I HAVEN'T SLEPT WITH SAYA FOR SO LONG.
WHAT'S A GIRLS PARTY?
ONLY GIRLS PLAYING TOGETHER!
THEN
COMPLAIN ABOUT THE BOYS!
ARIKA ...?
We've been hanging around with Yuki and them a lot lately.
but today I can have Saya to myself...
EHEHE! I'M SO BLESSED!

WHAT IS BLESSED?
THAT IS A HARD QUESTION
EH? IT'S SIMPLE!
BEING BLESSED
IS ABOUT THE PERSON YOU LIKE THE MOST ALWAYS STAYING BY YOUR SIDE
MAYBE, SOMETIME LATER ON, BARA-CHAN, YOU'LL FIND SOMEONE YOU LIKE.

HEY, SAYA!
LET'S GO TO THE SUMMER FESTIVAL IN OUR YUKATAS ON SATURDAY
AH
TOGETHER WITH BARA-CHAN!
SORRY.
I ALREADY HAVE PLANS WITH SOME-ONE
EH?!
IS IT YUKI?!
NO! SOME-ONE ELSE!
SEEMS LIKE THERE'S SOME-THING THEY HAVE TO DISCUSS WITH ME NO MATTER WHAT
!
ARIKA,
WE CAN HANG OUT ON ANOTHER DAY
ARIK
BUT SUMMER FESTIVAL ONLY HAP-PENS ONCE A YEAR.
HOW CAN THAT BE! I WANT TO GO WITH YOU NO MATTER WHAT!

I'M SORRY
No.
No, Saya. I don't want to.
Don't leave me.
A CRISIS BETWEEN SAYA AND ARIKA...?!
TO BE CONTINUED